MISSION WORK

AMONG THE

Negroes and the Indians

JANUARY 1924

Members of the Commission Charged with Distributing the Fund :

HIS EMINENCE DENNIS CARDINAL DOUGHERTY,

Archbishop of Philadelphia.

MOST REV. MICHAEL J. CURLEY, D.D.,

Archbishop of Baltimore.

MOST REV. PATRICK J. HAYES, D.D.,

Archbishop of New York.

RULES GOVERNING APPLICATIONS FOR A SHARE IN THE MISSION FUNDS

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1. All remittances and communications concerning the business of the Commission should be addressed to the Secretary, Very Rev. E. R. Dyer, S.S., D.D., St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore.

2. The Commission will consider only such applications as are received through the Most Rev. and Rt. Rev. Ordinaries, and will put at their disposal whatever allocations may be made for the work under their charge.

3. It will always be taken as a matter of course that a mission which does not apply for assistance, does not expect a share of the funds. Application must be made every time an appropriation is desired.

4. Those who ask for a share of the funds are respectfully requested to state as precisely as possible the amounts required for carrying out the various projects they propose to realize during the coming year.

5. The Commission also expects a detailed statement as to the amount devoted to each of the mission interests in a Diocese which receives an allowance. Only upon the receipt of such information can a new appropriation be made. The statements will be published in the next annual report.

By order of His Eminence, DENNIS CARDINAL DOUGHERTY.

E. R. DYER, S.S., D.D., *Secretary,*

St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, Md.

AN APPEAL

IN BEHALF OF THE

NEGRO AND INDIAN MISSIONS IN THE UNITED STATES

Dearly Beloved Brethren:

When we think of the repeated appeals to your generosity for a hundred and one worthy causes, we feel considerably embarrassed in lifting up our voices in behalf of even so worthy a cause as the INDIAN and NEGRO MISSIONS. But when we take into consideration the vital importance of this HOME MISSION work, the meagreness of the forces in the field, and the handicaps under which they labor, we are compelled to forget regard for your feelings in an earnest endeavor to obtain this year a national collection of which the Church may have every reason to feel proud. Although we are not unmindful of your past generosity, still it is manifest that comparatively little is being done in our country for our Indian and Negro Missions; in fact, that if every Catholic felt a truly personal interest in the HOME MISSION situation the amount usually obtained might easily be trebled. Then something really worth while could be accomplished by even the few laborers in this most important Apostolate.

THE INDIANS

Some think that the Indians are rapidly disappearing. According to the Indian Mission Report for 1923 there are in the diocese receiving allotments from our fund, some 1,128,703 Indians, and half of this number are Catholics. These must be safeguarded in their faith. No doubt you have read in the newspapers of the enrichment of a number of Indians through the sale of oil-lands, but the same report discloses the fact that none of these Indians live in the diocese receiving aid from this Commission.

THE MEXICANS

Included in the above figures are over one hundred thousand Mexicans who are in part, or entirely, of Indian origin. These Mexicans are constantly drifting into our great Southwest and many of them, through lack of churches and schools, are falling away from the faith, just as happened to thousands of our own in the early days and among the scattered populations of the south and west. Should not our American Catholics enable, by an increased financial backing, those Societies who are engaged in the Home Mission work, to make their own the pattern of energy, method and zeal shown by the Foreign Mission organizations?

THE NEGROES

Even under present conditions, however, we are glad to report the making of a commendable progress. Last year the Society of St. Joseph for Colored Missions purchased ground for a large preparatory college. The Fathers of the Divine Word and the Fathers of the Society for African Missions are conducting seminaries to train Colored young men for the priesthood. These vitally important institutions need large sums for building, equipment and maintenance. These and other religious organizations have notably extended their activities in fields that come in more direct contact with the Negro population.

The bishops of the country are asking for many more priests and Sisters to carry on this special work of the Church among the Negroes and the Indians. They find that the Colored people in particular do not feel at home in White churches, or they think themselves treated coldly, only tolerated, and in some instances, openly snubbed. There are exceptions in some of the more robust Catholic centers of the North and South, but this is fast becoming the prevailing opinion. It is to be expected that the specialist can give better service than the general practitioner. This should hold good in religion as well as in medicine.

In the field of education we are glad to report that our secondary schools for the Colored are gradually increasing. But there is urgent need of colleges to compete in time with such institutions as Hampton, Tuskegee, and Howard. These colleges should answer the longings of the educated Negro and include within their scope not only agricultural and industrial features but also that mental training and culture which Colored students are now receiving in so many non-Catholic seats of learning. Of course the teaching of the true faith is to be taken for granted. We are happy to note that such an institution is to be started during the current year in the Southern part of Maryland. It will be erected as a memorial to the late Cardinal Gibbons. We believe that this venture is worthy of every Catholic's consideration and financial assistance.

MIGRATION

During the past year over 500,000 Negroes forsook their abodes and occupations in thirteen Southern states and traveled Northward. This fact makes the Negro question country-wide and the Church must decide on the proper handling of this situation. From a temporal standpoint Catholics should realize that it will pay them to treat the Colored man in a Christian manner. The Negro is increasing rapidly in numbers and he is making considerable progress in every trade and profession. It may be that he will hold the balance of power in the future. We should use every individual

and collective effort to draw the Negro towards the Church and when persecutions arise we may have him for our friend.

From an eternal viewpoint the present situation is truly appalling. There are at least 10,500,000 Negroes in the United States. A negligible quantity (about 2½%) are Catholics. Over 5,000,000 belong to no church whatsoever. Think of this missionary opportunity right at our very doors. The remaining five millions are Protestants. Although we see evidences of rapid decay in Protestantism, yet, with the meagre forces at our command, we may well say that if it were to die today these five millions of Colored people could march to perdition, since our present feeble missionary efforts would be totally inadequate to stay their downward footsteps.

CONCLUSION

Let us beg of you, then, in the name of the shepherd of souls, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, to give more generously this year to this Indian and Negro Mission collection. May God reward your charity in thus aiding to spread the faith. The faith! God's own blessed gift to you. Let this faith you enjoy stir your hearts to a new zeal, and hasten you to do what you can to spread Christ's teachings among our millions of Indian and Colored brethren, most of whom "taste not nor see that the Lord is sweet."

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

From January 1st to December 31st, 1923

RECEIPTS

Archdiocese of Baltimore	$7,121.48
" " Sale of property donated by Mr. James Brennan, Washington, D. C.	1,806.26
" " Donation of a Friend who does not wish name mentioned	5.00
" Boston	14,239.90
" " Propagation of the Faith	6.00
" Chicago	7,663.32
" " Donation of Mr. John Kieber	5.00
" Cincinnati	2,500.00
" Dubuque	3,000.00
" Milwaukee	5,000.00
" New Orleans	3,587.38
" New York	7,000.00
" Oregon City	932.58
" " " Bequest of Elizabeth Thomas, Portland, Ore.	970.00
" Philadelphia	18,512.85
" St. Louis	4,981.14
" St. Paul	1,600.00
" San Francisco (1922 Collection)	1,500.00
" " " (1923 ")	635.39
" Santa Fé	4,585.00
Diocese of Albany	521.00
" Alexandria	2,551.56
" Alton	2,371.02
" Altoona	300.00
" Baker City	1,500.00
" Belleville	205.45
" Bismarck	569.16
" Boise	14,348.41
" Brooklyn	3,000.00
" Buffalo	1,000.00
" Burlington (1922 Collection)	1,000.00
" " (1923 ")	403.68
" Charleston	251.59
" Cheyenne	10,687.09
" Cleveland	1,235.57
" Columbus	1,212.04
" Concordia	548.46
" Corpus Christi	800.00
" Covington	75.00
" Crookston	790.25
" Dallas	800.00
" Davenport	1,000.00
" Denver	823.48
" Des Moines	3,640.00
" Detroit	

Diocese of Duluth	350.00
" El Paso (1922 Collection)	90.00
" " " (1923 ")	79.00
" Erie	2,000.00
" Fall River	1,700.00
" Fargo	200.00
" Fort Wayne	5,465.43
" Galveston	600.00
" Grand Island	403.18
" Grand Rapids	1,000.00
" Great Falls	213.50
" Green Bay	1,200.00
" Harrisburg	1,350.00
" Hartford	5,111.09
" Helena	596.01
" Indianapolis	2,945.77
" Kansas City	1,300.00
" La Crosse	507.00
" Lafayette	721.78
" Lead	112.75
" Leavenworth	1,550.00
" Lincoln	1,000.00
" Little Rock	652.24
" Los Angeles	2,000.00
" Louisville	3,727.25
" Manchester	2,000.00
" Marquette	946.65
" Mobile	904.28
" Monterey and Fresno	
" Nashville	567.38
" Natchez	308.95
" Newark	6,447.44
" Ogdensburg	1,485.00
" Oklahoma	293.50
" Omaha	1,713.85
" Peoria	2,513.45
" Pittsburgh	13,024.64
" Portland	1,500.00
" Providence	4,000.00
" Richmond	846.94
" Rochester	2,480.78
" Rockford	850.00
" St. Augustine	871.54
" St. Cloud	1,792.47
" St. Joseph	1,675.79
" Sacramento	669.65
" Salt Lake	231.45
" San Antonio	1,837.07
" Savannah	611.74
" Scranton	
" Seattle	1,000.00
" Sioux City	1,550.00
" Sioux Falls	
" Spokane	282.04
" Springfield	
" Superior	557.37
" Syracuse	1,500.00
" Toledo	2,574.56

Diocese of Trenton		1,750.00
" Tucson		686.46
" Wheeling		1,308.25
" Wichita		741.47
" Winona		
" Wilmington		1,100.00
Vicariate Apostolic of Alaska		60.00
Vicariate Apostolic of North Carolina		206.27
Total Annual Collection		$231,047.05
Interest on Deposits	$1,985.43	
Catholic Indian Bureau—Special appropriations and contributions for the Indian Schools made through the Catholic Indian Bureau, Washington, D. C.:		
Mother Katharine Drexel, for Indian Schools	39,518.25	
Indian Tribal Funds	176,331.56	
Preservation Society	4,674.40	
Marquette League	1,545.00	
		224,054.64
Total Receipts for 1923		$455.101.69
Deficit reported January 1st, 1923		3,709.58
		$451,392.11

DISBURSEMENTS

Archdiocese of Baltimore	$4,300.00
" " Special	2,000.00
" Milwaukee	1,000.00
" New Orleans	6,000.00
" " " Special	2,000.00
" New York	3,600.00
" Oregon City	1,000.00
" Philadelphia	2,500.00
" St. Louis	1,700.00
" San Francisco (1922 appropriation)	1,000.00
" Santa Fé	1.500.00
Diocese of Alexandria	1,500.00
" Baker City	1,500.00
" Bismarck	1,000.00
" " Special for Elbowoods School	500.00
" Boise	1,500.00
" " Special for Slickpoo School	1,000.00
" Cap-Haitien, Haiti	2,500.00
" Charleston	4,100.00
" Cleveland	2,000.00
" Corpus Christi	5,000.00
" " " Special	6,500.00
" Crookston	2,000.00
" " Special for Red Lake School	500.00
" Covington (1922 appropriation)	800.00
" " (1923 ")	800.00
" Dallas	1,200.00

Diocese of Detroit	1,200.00
" Duluth	1,500.00
" " Special	500.00
" El Paso	1,000.00
" Galveston	3,000.00
" Grand Rapids (1922 appropriation)	900.00
" " (1923 ")	900.00
" Great Falls	1,000.00
" " Special for St. Labre's School	250.00
" Helena	1,800.00
" " Special for Ursuline Convent, St. Ignatius, Montana	3,500.00
" Indianapolis	1,200.00
" Kansas City	750.00
" Lafayette	3,500.00
" " Special	1,000.00
" Lead	3,500.00
" " Special for Cheyenne Reservation	500.00
" Leavenworth	2,000.00
" Little Rock	2,000.00
" Los Angeles (1922 appropriation)	2,000.00
" " (1923 ")	2,000.00
" Louisville	2,000.00
" Marquette	1,400.00
" " Special for Orphanage at Assinins	500.00
" Mobile	4,000.00
" Nashville	1,000.00
" Natchez	6,000.00
" " Special, Choptaws	2,500.00
" Nueva Segovia, Bontoc, P. I.	5,000.00
" " " " Special	3,000.00
" Ogdensburg	200.00
" Omaha	1,000.00
" " Special, St. Benedict's Church	500.00
" Richmond	6,000.00
" " Special for St. Joseph's Mission, Norfolk	2,500.00
" St. Augustine	5,000.00
" " " Special, Fernandina Church	1,000.00
" San Antonio	2,100.00
" " " Special	2,000.00
" Savannah	6,000.00
" " Special, St. Anthony's Mission House (Colored Seminary)	3,000.00
" Seattle	5,000.00
" Spokane (1922 appropriation)	2,000.00
" " (1923 ")	2,000.00
" " Special	500.00
" Superior	1,500.00
" " Special, St. Mary's School, Odanah	2,000.00
" Tucson	1,000.00
" " Special	3,500.00
" Wilmington	1,000.00
Vicariate Apostolic of Alaska	3,000.00
" " " Special	3,000.00
Vicariate Apostolic of Guam	2,000.00
" " " North Carolina	2,500.00
St. Joseph's Seminary, Baltimore, Md., for the formation of priests devoted to the missions among the colored people	6,000.00
St. Joseph's Seminary, Special, for New College	10,000.00

Total Appropriations for 1923		$192,700.00
EXPENSES:		
Office and Printing Expenses		$2,236.71
Catholic Indian Bureau—		
Office Expenses	$5,300.00	
Transfer from Negro and Indian Mission Funds	28,146.00	
Special appropriations and contributions for the Indian Schools through the Catholic Indian Bureau, Washington, D. C.:		
Mother Katharine Drexel, for Indian Schools	39,518.25	
Indian Tribal Funds	176,331.56	
Preservation Society.	4,674.40	
Marquette League.	1,545.00	
		255,515.21
Total Disbursements for 1923		$450,451.92
Balance on hand January 1st, 1924		940.19
		$451,392.11

Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

From January 1st to December 31st, 1923

RECEIPTS

Mother Katharine Drexel, for Indian Schools		$39,518.25
Indian Tribal Fund	$176,331.56	
Preservation Society	4,674.40	
Marquette League	1,545.00	
Transfer from Negro and Indian Mission Funds	28,146.00	
Catholic Indian Bureau Expenses	5,300.00	
Interest on Deposits	101.02	
		216,097.98
Receipts for 1923		$255,616.23
Balance January 1st, 1923		11,661.10
Total Receipts		$267,277.33

DISBURSEMENTS

Indian Schools	$249,910.81	
Washington Indian Bureau Expenses	5,300.00	
Office Expenses	225.00	
		255,435.81
Balance on hand January 1st, 1924		*$ 11,841.52

* Balance held to be added to the contributions of The Preservation Society and Marquette League in order to pay the Indian Schools for the quarters ending March 31st, June 30th, September 30th and December 31st, 1924. It has often happened in past years that these appropriations to the Schools could not be met at the time that they were due. The Schools therefore had to contract debts which could be liquidated only when the next year's appropriation was made, and they had to look forward to repeating the same process the following year.

A bequest of $4,687.02 was made in 1912 by Mr. James Mahoney, of Santa Maria, Santa Barbara County, California, to be held in trust by the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions, the proceeds of which are to be divided equally between the Missions among the Indians and the Missions among the Negroes.

REPORT OF THE NEGRO MISSION WORK

Dioceses or Vicariates Apostolic	Negro Pop'lation	Catholic Negroes	Churches	Priests	Baptisms: Children	Baptisms: Adults	Schools	Pupils	Sisterhoods	Institutions
St. Joseph's Society		43,950*	63	77	1,693	488	53	8,902	145 Sisters from 10 Communities	St. Joseph's Seminary & Epiphany College, Balto.; St. Joseph's Industrial School, Clayton, Del.; St. Joseph's Home, Wilmington, Del.
Alexandria	300,000	6,000	6	5	230 Neg 112 Mex	13	7 Neg 2 Mex	1,080	Sisters of Divine Providence, Daughters of the Cross	
Baltimore	240,000	24.191	12	16	1,021	255	14	2,302	Good Shepherd, Franciscans, Oblates, Notre Dame, Mission Helpers	St. Elizabeth's; St. Frances' Orphanage; St. Frances' Convent and Industrial School; Good Shepherd; St. Peter Claver's Industrial
Brooklyn	40,000	1,500	1	1	28	85				
Buffalo										
Charleston	700,000	1,000	2	2	29	18	3	687	Oblate Sisters of Providence	Old Folks' Home (City Hospital and Colored Hospital)
Covington	76,000	109	1	1	1	4	1	50	Sisters of Charity of Nazareth	
Dallas	200,000	200	1	1	20	3	1	248	Sisters of the Holy Ghost	
Detroit	500,000	700	1	1						
Galveston	85,000	3,146	5	5	226	20	4	676	Holy Family Blessed Sacrament	
Indianapolis			1	1	10	5	1	85	Sisters of St. Francis	
Kansas City	45,000	350	1	1	7	26				
Lafayette	100,000	40,000	6	10	1,888	25	13	2,528	Holy Family Sisters; Ladies of Sacred Heart Mercy: Holy Ghost; Blessed Sacrament	
Leavenworth	7,500	750	2	1	12	15	2	154	Sisters of Providence; Oblate Sisters	Guardian Angel's Home; House of Providence
Little Rock			3	3	25	8	3	730	Holy Ghost; Good Shepherd	Good Shepherd, Hot Springs, Ark.
Louisville	150,000	650	2	2	13	2	2	235	Sisters of Charity of Nazareth; Ursuline Sisters	House of the Good Shepherd
Milwaukee										
Mobile	947,953	5,338	17	10	(Total	307)	16	1,527	Sisters of Charity; St. Joseph; Mercy; Holy Trinity; Holy Family; Blessed Sacrament; Holy Ghost	Hospitals conducted by Sisters of Charity in Birmingham, Montgomery, Mobile, Pensacola make provision for the Colored
Nashville										
Natchez	935,184	4.289	16	13	224	99	14	2,149		St. Augustine's Mission House; Colored School, Greenville Meridian
New Orleans										
New York	125,000	5,000	3	10	502	257	9	792	Blessed Sacrament; Charity	St. Benedict's Home, Rye, N. Y.
North Carolina										
Omaha	12,000	200	1	1						
Philadelphia			3	7	88	113	3	469	Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament; Notre Dame; Good Shepherd	St. Magdalen's Asylum; Holy Phovidence House
Richmond	696,293	1,217	6	6	31	92	4	1,505	Franciscan Sisters; Oblate Sisters; Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament	"Belmead"—Rock Castle, Va.
St. Augustine		1,000	4	2			6	703	Sisters of St. Joseph, Holy Name	
St. Louis	140,000	5,000	2	2	68	69	3	306	Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, Oblates, Ursulines	St. Francis Colored Orphanage
San Antonio	1,500	1,500	3	3	3	28	4	458	Sisters of the Holy Ghost	Boarding School on Nolan Street
Savannah	1,210,000	1,439	11	12	60	141	9	1,664	Franciscans, Colored Sisters, Blessed Sacrament	Two Orphanages; St Frances' Home; Novitiate for Colored Sisters; St. Peter Claver's Industrial School, Clayton; Home, Wilmington
Wilmington		600			35	15	3	205	Franciscan Sisters	

Dioceses or Vicariates Apostolic	Indian Pop'lation	Catholic Indians	Churches	Baptisms		Schools	Pupils	Sisterhoods	Religious
				Children	Adults				
Alaska	27,000	4,150	28	224	51	6	270	Sisters of St. Ann, Ursuline Nuns	Society of Jesus
Baker City	3,550	515	1	18	9	1		Sisters of St. Francis	Society of Jesus
Bismarck			9		13	3	112	Benedictine Sisters	Benedictines
Boise	3,000	1,160	6	50	9	3	199	Providence of Charity: St. Joseph	Society of Jesus
Cap-Haitien				10,000	Total		3,000	Sisters of St. Joseph	Society of Mary
Corpus Christi	100,000		20	5,600	100	14	2,521		Oblates of Mary Immaculate
Crookston	6,500	3,350	7	111	14	2	135	Sisters of St. Benedict	Order of St. Benedict
Duluth	3,000	1,600	11						
El Paso	619	400	1	13	7	1			Franciscans
Grand Rapids	1,500	800	9	63	13	1	185	Sisters of Notre Dame	Franciscans
Great Falls									
Green Bay									
Guam, P. I.	14,090	13,700	10	685	2	12	1,172		Capuchin Order
Helena	5,421	5,290	2	205	6	4	544	Ursuline Nuns	Jesuits and Premonstratensians
Lead	17,000	7,000	64	400	125	4	590	Sisters of St. Francis	Jesuits; Benedictines; Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Los Angeles	7,000	7,000	10			3		Sisters of St. Joseph	Jesuits; Franciscans
Marquette	1,260	1,090	4	40	1	2	81	Sisters of St. Joseph	Society of Jesus
Natchez									
Nueva Segovia, P. I.	38,000	8,000	26	290	82	24	700	Belgian Sisters	Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
Ogdensburg									
Omaha									
Oregon City	1,460	750	2	31	9	3	896		Benedictines: Society of the Divine Savior
San Francisco	1,235	635	5	19	2	3	38		
Santa Fé	20,000	20,000	24	327		2	365	Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, Sisters of Loretto	Franciscans
Seattle	9,000	1,650	8	103	14	5	705	Franciscan Sisters	Redemptorists; Benedictines: Jesuits
Spokane	3,626	2,875	12	81	14	1	65		Society of Jesus
Superior	5,000	3,500	6	10	3	2	448	Sisters of St. Frances of Perpetual Adoration: Sisters of St. Frances of Mary Immaculate	Franciscans
Tucson									

N. B.—The statements which follow concerning the conditions of the missions are taken from the reports sent in by the diocesan Ordinaries in 1923, in view of the distribution of the funds to take place that year.

The financial statements submitted by each diocese refer to the receipts and disbursements of the preceding year, 1922.

MISSION WORK AMONG THE NEGROES

JOSEPHITE FATHERS.

Amount appropriated	$6,000.00
Amount appropriated, special	2,000.00
Disbursements:	
St. Joseph's Seminary, Baltimore, Md. $3,000.00	
Epiphany Apostolic College, Baltimore, Md. 3,000.00	
Special for Epiphany Apostolic College, Baltimore, Md. 2,000.00	
Total disbursements	$8,000.00

The following is taken from the report of Very Reverend Louis B. Pastorelli, S.S.J., Superior of the Josephite Fathers:

"It is our wish to give a general survey, and to touch on some of the more important features of our work during the past year.

"We feel that as far as physical expansion goes, there has been gratifying progress. Two new churches were opened—one in Washington, D. C., and the other in Crowley, Louisiana. Another parish was formed in the Southwest section of Washington, while still another parish is being worked up. Toward satisfying the spiritual needs of the former of these parishes, a hall has been secured where the colored people can worship temporarily. At Breaux Bridge, Louisiana, property has been secured, and the work of erection has already begun for a new mission. Likewise in Louisiana, at Thibadeaux, a combination church and school building is in the course of construction. In Baltimore, St. Monica's is now located on a new site that includes church, school, hall, and rectory. The move will bring many advantages, not the least of which will be the centering of the church. The plant secured formerly belonged to the Lutherans, from whom it was purchased. Two new schools were opened—one in Mobile, and the other at Dorseyville, Louisiana. Lastly, a site was bought at Newburgh, New York, on which will be built Epiphany College, preparatory school of St. Joseph's Society. All this represents more work than may be supposed from the telling.

"In line with the foregoing is the continued internal growth of our Society. Our College and Seminary had last year an increase

in the number of their students. We now have seventy-seven priests working entirely for the colored race. These priests have charge of sixty-three churches and four institutions. They are caring for forty-four thousand souls. Last year they reported four hundred and eighty-eight conversions. The schools continue to receive a large share of the priests' care and attention. We have fifty-three schools for colored children. Attending these schools are eight thousand nine hundred and two pupils, who are under the care of one hundred and forty-five sisters and sixty lay teachers. It should be noted that the priests who have conducted high schools in connection with the parish school are achieving real results, as can be attested by the fact that their graduates are being accepted on the same level as those from public high schools.

"Undoubtedly, the only thing lacking to make Catholic colored education the equal of what Catholic education is among the whites is money. There is as much intelligence, and as much ambition among missionaries to the Negro as there is anywhere else, and there is likewise as eager a desire for education in the colored man. But intelligence and goodwill alone cannot buy equipment, pay teachers, and keep schools what they should be. The school problem creates one reason and an easily intelligible one, why Catholics should try to do something big for the colored race.

"A most promising development in our work during the past year has been the increased number of vocations. Our preparatory school opened this year with over one hundred students, who have gladly given themselves to Christs' work among the colored people. We are grateful to God and, under Him, to many priests and sisters throughout the country to whom are due a number of these vocations. We are pleased to remark on this generous cooperation. As has been repeatedly asserted, the conversion of the Negro race, when it will have been achieved, will be due not only to a group of faithful specialists, no matter how numerous and enthusiastic, but to the goodwill, interest, and assistance of the whole Church in this country. There is ground for optimism and encouragement, therefore, in this growing concern of our clerical brethren for the welfare of the Colored Missions.

"The purchase of a site for the new College at Newburgh, New York, is a step to which we were forced. The present student body fills to capacity the College at Walbrook. Since only six boys leave for the Seminary in June, we may be forced to put off next summer a number of boys who may desire to enter. We regret this condition very much, and we are certain that the friends of the Missions will share our regret, and be anxious to come forward in order to hasten the erection of the new building. This situation only emphasizes all that we said last year about the necessity for a new college. Our present building is old and thoroughly unsuited to the purpose of a preparatory school. Now our continuance in

it would prevent effective work and the expansion of our priesthood.

"The building of the new College will put us under a severe strain. The College is without assured and definite income, and with its mounting expenses, due to its ordinary growth, it must have help from Catholics who understand their obligations to the work of the Negro Missions.

"On the whole it may be concluded that there is much to feel encouraged about, and we are glad to make use of this occasion for expressing to the friends of the Missions our appreciation of their assistance. We can only hope that we may enlist more supporters for our work."

ALEXANDRIA.

Amount appropriated		$1,500.00
Amount appropriated, special		1,000.00
Disbursements:		
Campti, School	$200.00	
Natchitoches, School	200.00	
Isle Brevelle, School	200.00	
Cloutierville, School	200.00	
Alexandria, School	100.00	
Marksville, Pastor	40.00	
Zwolle, School	300.00	
Spanish Lake, School	260.00	
Special to help in building Church at Marksville, La...	1,000.00	
Total disbursements		$2,500.00

The Right Reverend Bishop writes:

"A very neat frame church was erected at Marksville at a cost of about $5,000.00, one thousand of which was donated by the Board and the other four thousand very generously given by the Holy Ghost Fathers themselves. The building was solemnly dedicated on July 18th; the good pastor and his people are delighted and the prospects of this new parish are very promising.

"Father McGlade, C.S.Sp., was appointed several months ago to organize the new colored parish in Shreveport and to erect parish buildings as soon as possible. Owing, however, to the prevailing prejudice and Ku Klux spirit he has encountered numerous difficulties in securing a suitable site, and for this reason as well as for lack of funds he has not been able so far to start any building. He says Mass for his colored flock in a hall which is not well suited to this purpose. He needs a church, a house and a school. The cost of building being very high it is impossible to erect even one of these buildings without outside help.

"There is a settlement of about seventy-five Mexican Catholic families at Spanish Lake. These people are very backward and have been much neglected. I am now maintaining a school for them taught by a good Catholic layman who lives among them and who also acts as catechist on Sundays when there is no Mass."

BALTIMORE.

Amount appropriated		$4,300.00
Amount appropriated special		4,500.00
Disbursements:		
St. Barnabas', Baltimore	$500.00	
St. Francis Xavier's, Baltimore	275.00	
St. Peter Claver's Industrial School	500.00	
St. Monica's, Baltimore	100.00	
House of the Good Shepherd	500.00	
St. Francis' Orphan Asylum	400.00	
St. Elizabeth's Home	1,000.00	
St. Alphonsus', Ridge	300.00	
St. Ignatius' Missions, Bel Alton	225.00	
St. Mary's, Bryantown	100.00	
Chaptico and Missions	300.00	
St. Mary's, Newport	100.00	
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Washington	800.00	
Holy Redeemer, Washington	1,500.00	
Good Shepherd	1,000.00	
County Missions	1,200.00	
Total disbursements		$8,800.00

The following observations are taken from the report:

"(1) Holy Redeemer Church, Washington, D. C., recently established. A parochial school is urgently needed for the three hundred children of the parish.

"(2) Church of the Good Shepherd, Washington, D. C. This is a new parish in process of organization. Special aid is needed to erect a church.

"(3) Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Washington, D. C. This parish has a parochial school up to the sixth grade. To complete an eighth grade school, a special appropriation is sought.

"(4) Colored parishes in St. Mary's and Charles' Counties. St. Mary's County with a Catholic colored population of 15,000 has only three parochial schools with a total enrollment of less than 275 pupils. To establish a system of schools in these counties already almost exclusively Catholic, would insure the success of the Gibbons Institute and afford the nation an example of what the Catholic Church can effect in meeting the problem of the colored race."

BELLEVILLE.

Amount appropriated		$1,000.00
Disbursements:		
Negro Mission in East St. Louis	$1,000.00	
Total disbursements		$1.000.00

BUFFALO.

Amount appropriated		$2,500.00
Disbursements:		
St. Augustine's Mission		$2,500.00
Total disbursements		$2,500.00

CHARLESTON.

Amount appropriated $4,100.00
Amount appropriated, special 900.00

Disbursements:

No itemized statement of disbursements given in the report. St. Peter's School and Immaculate Conception School, Charleston; St. James', Catholic Cross Roads and Catechists at Summerville are mentioned as the beneficiaries of the appropriation.

Right Reverend Bishop Russell writes:

"Through the generosity of the Board we were able to continue our ordinary work as during previous years. On account of delays of one kind or another we were unable to use our combination church-school building. This we hope to use during the coming year.

"I have but to repeat my requests of last year to do any new work. It is only a question of money. To fill our schools with colored children is only a question of dollars and cents. Had I the money to add three rooms to the Immaculate Conception School I could fill them at once. We could do the same in another section of the city had we the money to erect the building and pay the sisters. From my experience in this section of the South the conversion of the colored people is not so much a matter of zeal on the part of the priests and sisters as it is a matter of dollars and cents. Therefore, I respectfully ask the Board for an extra appropriation of $5,000.00 to add three large rooms to the present Immaculate Conception School, which has been doing such good work in the past."

DALLAS.

Amount appropriated $1,200.00

Disbursements:

No itemized statement of disbursements given in the report. Rev. John F. Neifert, S.S.J., Seven Sisters of the Holy Ghost, St. Peter's Church and the Sisters' Institute, Dallas, are mentioned as the beneficiaries of the appropriation.

Rev. John F. Neifert, S.S.J., writes, with the approval of Right Reverend Bishop Lynch:

"Last December a one-week Mission was given by Father Harden, a Paulist. Besides a class of twelve children now under instruction for baptism, we have a group of six children and ten adults over twenty-one years old who are very favorable towards our faith, two of whom are under instruction and the rest very likely will be before the end of the year.

"The sanctuary of our church and altars were repaired and painted. Three hundred feet of fence built and we contemplate painting the exterior of the church and rectory."

DETROIT.

Amount appropriated		$1,200.00
Disbursements:		
St. Peter Claver's Church	$1,200.00	
Total disbursements		$1,200.00

The Reverend Emil C. Staab, C.S.Sp., writes, with the indorsement of the Rt. Rev. Bishop:

"The Church of St. Peter Claver for the colored people of the City of Detroit is a Mission church in every sense of the word. The colored Catholics are scattered in every section of the city and hence may we truthfully say that the work amongst our colored brethren is indeed missionary. There is a great deal of good to be done. Although a very large proportion of our colored Catholics attend the churches of the neighborhood in which they reside, nevertheless they will be visited and encouraged by the Missionary in charge of St. Peter Claver's Church."

GALVESTON.

Amount appropriated		$3,000.00
Disbursements:		
Houston	$904.00	
Galveston	675.00	
Ames	400.00	
Beaumont	525.00	
Port Arthur	496.00	
	$3,000.00	
Total disbursements		$3,000.00

Rt. Rev. Bishop Byrne writes:

"The work is going on well. We are beginning to get the colored man to take care of himself. For instance, I allowed them to borrow $11,500.00 to buy better property at Houston. This year they paid off $5,000.00 of that debt. Galveston is old-fashioned. It is hard to get them away from the nickel habit on Sunday. Ames is a farming community and their power to care for themselves depends on crops; but they are a fine class of Catholics. Port Arthur will be a fine place in a couple of years. They are showing a good spirit to give for the erection of a house for the priest and for a school house."

INDIANAPOLIS.

Amount appropriated		$1.200.00
Disbursements:		
St. Rita's Church and School	$1,200.00	
Total disbursements		$1,200.00

KANSAS CITY

Amount appropriated		$750.00
Disbursements:		
St. Monica's Church and School	$750.00	
Total disbursements		$750.00

Rev. Father Cyprian, pastor of St. Monica's Mission, writes, with the indorsement of Rt. Rev. Bishop Lillis:

"Your check for our Mission was not only a Godsend but a saviour because we were in great need this winter."

LAFAYETTE.

Amount appropriated		$3,500.00
Amount appropriated, special, Crowley Mission		2,500.00
Amount appropriated, special, Congregation of Lebeau		1,000.00
Disbursements:		
Breaux Bridge School	$300.00	
Holy Rosary Institute	400.00	
New Iberia	400.00	
Opelousas	375.00	
Crowley	400.00	
Delcambre	175.00	
Sacred Heart Convent	300.00	
Jesuit Fathers	75.00	
Lafayette, St. Paul's	350.00	
Lake Charles	400.00	
Broussard	150.00	
St. Martinsville	175.00	
Lebeau	200.00	
Lebeau, special	1,000.00	
Crowley, special	2,500.00	
Total disbursements		$7,200.00

Rt. Rev. Bishop Jeanmard writes:

"The prospects for the coming year are made bright and promising by the charity of Mother Katharine Drexel. Some months ago she personally visited the centers where the colored Catholic population is largest, and was so impressed by the needs of these poor people, and by the readiness of the clergy to cooperate with her that she made arrangements to open new schools in Olivier, Glencoe, Rayne, Broussard and possibly Coulee Croche. Other places equally important and destitute of all educational advantages will have to wait until necessary funds can be obtained to provide for them. Each of these schools will accommodate between forty and ninety children. The attendance would be undoubtedly larger in some of these places but the capacity of the school buildings must necessarily be limited. They are now in course of construction. They will be staffed by graduates from Xavier University, New Orleans, of our own schools, holding state certificates.

"All this work is made possible by the charity and munificence of Mother Katharine for these poor people can do little or nothing for themselves except in the larger towns. Much more could be done along the same lines, and our present churches and schools could be put on a less precarious footing and extend their work still more if more generous financial help were available. And this help would be forthcoming if only our benefactors understood better the situation that we are facing. This diocese enjoys the distinction of having a larger Catholic colored population than any other diocese in the country. All our efforts must be bent towards holding together the children of the household whose claims upon our charity are greater than the claims of those outside the fold. This task is made easier here than elsewhere because of the strong Catholic traditions among our French-speaking Negroes and the relative security they have enjoyed against the proselyting of English-speaking preachers. With the learning of English in the public schools, however, this security is being lessened every day and unless they can be reasonably provided for in churches and schools, many will be lost to us."

LEAVENWORTH.

Amount appropriated		$2,000.00
Disbursements:		
Guardian Angels' Home	$1,333.34	
Holy Epiphany School	666.66	
Total disbursements		$2,000.00

Rev. Father Shorter, pastor of Holy Epiphany Church, writes, with the approval of Rt. Rev. Bishop Ward:

"Holy Epiphany congregation evinces more stability than in former years. Nearly all who attend Sunday Mass are also weekly communicants. There is, too, some natural growth from the younger families. Wholesome Catholic family life is the greatest need of the colored population and the supplying of this need, or the promotion of the virtues that distinguish the homes of good Catholics, is the greatest benefit that can be conferred on the colored people. The atmosphere of a Catholic home is the good odor of Christ, drawing souls to virtue in groups and not merely gaining an individual here and there. Our institutions, in receiving children, instill the Catholic instincts which adults acquire with difficulty. The colored youth outside of the Catholic Church have not now the religious feeling with which the Negro was once credited. Our schools and institutions in Leavenworth are giving industrial and mental as well as moral training which deserves recognition. We need help to increase our equipment. Holy Epiphany this year graduated six pupils from the eighth grade and two from the commercial high school course. Agriculture is taught practically at the Guardian Angels' Home."

LITTLE ROCK.

Amount appropriated		$2,000.00
Disbursements:		
Rev. Jos. Klaffel, S.V.D., St. Bartholomew's Church, Little Rock	$500.00	
Rev. L. H. Schaefer, S.S.J.	500.00	
Rev. J. M. Lundergan, C.S.Sp.	350.00	
Convent of the Good Shepherd, Hot Springs	150.00	
Rev. L. H. Schaefer, S.S.J.	300.00	
Rev. J. Klaffel, S.V.D.	100.00	
Rev. J. M. Lundergan, C.S.Sp.	100.00	
Total disbursements		$2,000.00

Right Reverend Bishop Morris writes:

"There is very little to be said this year about our work, except that it continues to grow and prospects are promising. Our greatest difficulty is that we are unable to obtain sisters and priests to carry on. I have applied to the various communities engaged in work among the Negroes and they are unwilling to make any promises for the near future.

"I find the Church here in Little Rock growing in strength. Early in the summer I attended the school closing and was sincerely surprised not only at the large number attending but still more at the evident progress among the pupils. I do not think any school could have given a better entertainment than St. Bartholomew's. Their plays and drills were well selected and well executed. St. Bartholomew's is growing in importance, and if this growth continues it will be a splendid congregation within the next ten years. The growth in this colored parish compares favorably with any other parish in the state.

"St. Peter's, Pine Bluff.—This parish is progressing favorably. A new house has been built for the sisters. It was sorely needed. Likewise the sisters have opened a boarding department and while it is small, it shows great promise. In fact, the sisters themselves have been surprised at its reception by the colored people.

"St. John's Fort Smith.—In September St. John's will open a school. This parish has been hampered by a lack of school facilities. No colored, or white parish can prosper without a school. In this, colored work resembles very closely the white parishes.

"The school at Hot Springs, conducted in connection with the convent of the Good Shepherd, is doing fairly well.

"I do not agree with those who think our colored work is lagging. When we have the priests and sisters to carry on, I feel it will be just as successful as our white schools. If the priests be zealous, the success of the work is assured and this is the only practical rule for either white or colored work. I do not think we need be anxious about the future of our work among the Negroes if we can be assured of an abundance of priests and sisters to conduct

the work. I understand the communities engaged in this work are very much encouraged by the number of applications for their novitiates. If we had enough priests, I am sure the Diocesan clergy would be glad to undertake the work. Some day I hope our seminary here will be able to take an active part in spreading the faith among the Negroes of the Diocese."

LOUISVILLE.

Amount appropriated $2,500.00

Disbursements:

No itemized statement of disbursements given in the report. St. Augustine's and St. Peter Claver's, Louisville, are mentioned as the beneficiaries of the appropriation.

Rev. Martin Frankenberger, pastor of St. Augustine's Church, writes as follows, with the indorsement of Rt. Rev. Bishop Floersh:

"The Reverend Pastor of St. Peter Claver's Parish and myself intend to make special efforts to gain converts in the near future. But we think that we should be able to offer our Catholics amongst the colored race a little more than we can at present. We should at least have a good Catholic high school and a home for the orphans of color. The Sisters of the Good Shepherd take care of the orphan girls but we have no home whatever to offer for the boys. With a little more financial assistance we feel that we will be able to establish both high school and orphan home in a few years."

MILWAUKEE.

Amount appropriated $1,000.00

Disbursements:

Saint Benedict the Moor Mission $1,000.00
Total disbursements $1,000.00

The Reverend Pastor of St. Benedict the Moor writes:

"There is no school doing greater work for the colored in general than ours, for we have children from all over the United States, and we are giving boys and girls who are hopeful high school education. I have succeeded, thank God, in having a greater number of Catholic schools to receive colored children, which is a great advantage in the North, yet I realize the need of a large house is very urgent as well as the opening of our Catholic high schools to our colored children who wish to come the same as the state schools are doing."

MOBILE.

Amount appropriated $4,500.00

Disbursements:

Rev. D. Rice, Most Pure Heart of Mary Mission, Mobile $300.00
Rev. J. McKeever, St. John Baptist Mission..... 200.00

Rev. S. Grossi, Chastang Mission	400.00
Rev. H. J. Hagen, Tuscaloosa Mission	300.00
Rev. C. Hartkoff, St. Joseph's, Pensacola	1,200.00
Rev. T. Judge, C. M., Cottonton	200.00
Rev. J. McKeever, attends Tuskegee	100.00
Rev. John Schwert, St. Peter Claver's	400.00
Rev. P. J. Walsh, Immaculate Conception	300.00
The Sisters of St. Joseph, St. Patrick's Creole School	200.00
Rev. D. Rice, St. Bernard's and Prichard School	200.00
Apalachicola Mission	300.00
Fr. Grossi, Combination School and Church at West Mt. Vernon	300.00
Selma Mission	100.00
Total disbursements	$4,500.00

Right Reverend Bishop Allen writes:

"The work in the colored missions during the year has made favorable progress. The schools are well attended and are doing most efficient work. It is greatly to be regretted that we cannot open more of them for lack of laborers. The priests devoted to the work are all zealous and faithful.

"Unfortunately numbers of our best colored Catholic families have left us during the year to find a home in the North and Northwest. I hope they will find encouragement and kindly consideration from their Catholic brethren in their new homes.

"The pressing need of priests and religious orders for the foundation and development of our colored missions, cannot be too strongly emphasized. Unless we get more Missionaries and get them soon, the work will languish.

"I look with no little satisfaction on the opening of a new seminary in Mississippi to train colored students for the priesthood. If, in a few years, we can send into the field zealous colored priests, they will doubtless reach and influence their own race in a way that the white priests never could.

"The colored people are kindly disposed towards the Church, especially in the Southern part of a diocese where the Catholic influence has been felt for generations."

NASHVILLE.

Amount appropriated	$3,000.00

Disbursements:

No itemized statement of disbursements given in the report.

NATCHEZ.

Amount appropriated	$6,000.00
Amount appropriated, special, Colored Seminary	20,000.00
Amount appropriated, special, Colored Seminary	12,000.00
Amount appropriated, special, Holy Family Church	1,500.00
Amount appropriated, special, Choctaws	1,500.00
	$41,000.00

Disbursements:

1.	The Choctaw Indians (Father Philippe)		$1,500.00
2.	For Natchez (Father O'Neil)		1,500.00
A.	Divine Word Fathers:		
	Greenville	$350.00	
	Jackson	350.00	
	Meridian	350.00	
	Vicksburg	350.00	
			1,400.00
B.	Josephite Fathers:		
	Natchez	350.00	
	Pascagoula	350.00	
	Biloxi	350.00	
	Pass Christian	350.00	
			1,400.00
C.	Secular Clergy:		
	Sulphur Springs	350.00	
	Bay St. Louis	250.00	
	DeLisle	100.00	
	Kiln	100.00	
			800.00
D.	Schools		600.00
E.	New Church—DeLisle		1,050.00
F.	Indians		750.00
	Colored Seminary		20,000.00
	Colored Seminary		12,000.00
			$41,000.00
	Total disbursements		$41,000.00

The following observations are taken from the interesting report of Rt. Rev. Bishop Gunn:

General Conditions:

"Since the report of 1922 the Diocese has felt the inducements offered the colored to move North. Every colored parish has suffered by this fictitious imigration and much misery has been caused to everybody interested. The imigration laws forbidding cheap labor in the North have induced the Negroes to leave the known for the unknown. The activities of the Ku Klux acted here as an ever-present menace and the result has been that every parish has suffered. This accounts, to a great extent, for the diminished number in the schools and for the diminished number of colored communicants. Considering what is written under No. 4, that we have only nine-tenths of one per cent foreign born white in the entire state, and that 92.1% blacks are native born Mississippians, there does not seem to be much reason for the activities of the hundred per centers. It may interest your Board to remember that the Negro population outnumbers the whites not only in the state but in seven of the largest towns of Mississippi. The count by color as shown by the last census for towns over 5,000, shows the need of more effort to get the Negroes before others get them.

"In the country sections the Negroes are in the vast majority, in most counties numbering 50% of the entire population and in one county reaching 95% of the entire population.

"To meet this colored call we have in the Diocese fifteen priests, fourteen schools and fifty-four sisters. The entire Negro population would not constitute one ordinary sized parish in the North, but here in Mississippi they are scattered over an area of 46,000 square miles. In a Diocese where it is almost impossible to get priests for the whites, it is a real impossibility to get priests for the colored. The writer suggested years ago that some rich Northern or Eastern Diocese would adopt all the Negroes in Mississippi and supply them with priests, sisters and schools.

"Financial Considerations:

"The Negro is poor, especially the country Negro; the city Negro gets good money but cannot keep it. The result is that neither in the city nor in the country can the Negro do anything for his priest, his Church or his school. The faith is kept alive in Mississippi through the generosity of the Colored Board and without the six thousand dollars annually given us, our priests and sisters could not last long.

"The religious communities of the Josephites and Divine Word Fathers are doing splendid work but they are hampered by the want of men and money and only one priest can be attached to one mission. This makes it impossible for these men to spread out and country missions are not established, as would be desirable. If each priest in charge of a colored church had an assistant who could be detached for country work, there would be a hope of making an impression outside the few centers now under Catholic charge. It is said sometimes that the colored are naturally drawn to the Catholic Church but that is an experience which the priests in Mississippi know nothing about. As long as the Church laws forbid certain secret societies and keep up the discipline about marriage, restitution, etc., the Church will exercise an extremely small attractive influence for the colored. Until we can get more men, more schools and more sisters the only thing that we can count on to counteract the tendencies here is to get more money. Six thousand dollars is a big sum for the parishes and missions but it is relatively a small sum to influence nearly a million Negroes.

"Social Conditions:

"The more that is done and the more that is said about creating social equality, the more difficult it is to do anything with the Negro. God made him black and he will stay black and one drop of Negro blood makes a Negro man or woman and no amount of talk will change that fact. The propaganda, as started of late, to bring the Negro North is hurting those who go and those who stay.

"The Bishop and priests of the Diocese of Natchez thank the Board of Colored Missions for the encouragement given to them in their work, the funds entrusted to them to help that work, and for designated gifts for individual priests and Missions which give needed practical assistance. We are ready and willing to do our best for the colored but we do need more men, more sisters and more money."

NEW ORLEANS.

Amount appropriated		$6,000.00
Amount appropriated, special		2,000.00
Amount appropriated, special		1,000.00
Disbursements:		
Holy Family Convent	$500.00	
St. Dominic	250.00	
St. Katherine	200.00	
Corpus Christi	400.00	
Xavier University	500.00	
Convent of the Good Shepherd	400.00	
Holy Redeemer	250.00	
All Saints	250.00	
Blessed Sacrament	200.00	
Holy Ghost	200.00	
St. Peter Claver	200.00	
St. Francis, Baton Rouge	250.00	
Bertrandville	250.00	
Point a la Hache	250.00	
Convent, La.	200.00	
Donaldsonville	200.00	
Labadieville	200.00	
Plaquemine	150.00	
Lacombe	200.00	
Mandeville	150.00	
Madisonville	200.00	
St. Benedict	200.00	
Slidell	150.00	
New Roads, St. Augustine	250.00	
Site for Church, New Roads, La. (Special)	2,000.00	
Towards Church, New Roads, La. (Special)	1,000.00	
	$9,000.00	
Total disbursements		$9,000.00

Most Reverend Archbishop Shaw writes:

"As we have already in previous communications to the Commission for Catholic Missions among Colored People and Indians explained the conditions and prospects of preserving the faith among our colored people as well as of carrying the Gospel tidings to the many thousands of their non-Catholic brethren, we feel that it is unnecessary to again call the attention of the Commission to the difficulties under which our missionaries among the colored race are laboring, except to remark that their progress is necessarily slow owing to circumstances over which they have no control.

"In justice to the Reverend Clergy and devoted Sisters who are laboring with truly apostolic zeal, we wish to assure the Commission that they have most judiciously and conscientiously used the funds of the Commission which we divided among them according to their relatively urgent needs. While we are most appreciative for the assistance that has been given, yet we are grieved to say that we could give only a comparatively small sum to each because there were so many pleading for help. Though often discouraged by a lack of help to meet their pressing financial obligations, the missionaries have, however, in spite of difficulties, the consolation of seeing their labors bear fruit in the revival and spread of the faith as well as the practice of all Christian virtues among the lowliest and poorest of God's children. Their churches and schools have become too few and inadequate for the numbers seeking the consolations of our holy religion and the blessings of Christian education. The most urgent need now is more churches, more schools, more missionaries and more teachers, and lastly but not least, more funds to carry on the work of the ministry. Because of this spiritual, educational and financial destitution our missionaries are unable to save the faith of many who had been baptized Catholics. Under such adverse conditions they can make but little impression upon the mass of the colored people who are becoming veritable heathens. This is indeed a sad prospect, and, worse still, one which we fear will continue for many years unless a loving Providence comes to our rescue in the way we have mentioned.

"It will interest and please the Commission to learn that, during the past year, our missionaries have started three new parishes. In one of these parishes in the country which I visited recently, the zealous pastor has just completed a beautiful frame church, and in another country parish his equally zealous brother Josephite is struggling manfully to complete a combination church and school. In the city the devoted Fathers of the Holy Ghost have purchased ground in a thickly colored section and are hopeful of erecting a church early next year. This progress has been made, thanks to the help of the Commission, the donations of kind friends and the generous self-denial of the Fathers. This beginning promises well for large parishes and schools because of the Catholic traditions which still exist among many of our colored people who were baptized Catholics. All that is needed, apart from the blessing of God, to realize our most sanguine expectations of the future of these parishes is generous help from our brethren who know and appreciate 'the gift of God.'"

"I forbear to mention in detail the urgent and heavy financial obligations of the other colored parishes in the diocese. The Commission is already aware of our need of help to finance and extend the work of evangelizing the colored people who gladly embrace the faith when its truths are made known to them. We are, how-

ever, living in hope that the Commission will see its way to give us a liberal increase over the donations of previous years. Such an increase will be a most welcome Christmas offering."

NEW YORK.

Amount appropriated		$3,600.00
Disbursements:		
St. Benedict's Church	$300.00	
St. Benedict's Home	300.00	
St. Benedict's School	300.00	
St. Mark's Church	900.00	
Bahama Islands	1,800.00	
Total disbursements		$3,600.00

The following observations are taken from the report. The Reverend Pastor of St. Mark's Church writes:

"The allocation I received last year was devoted to our school. We have seven sisters and three lay teachers engaged in school work. The sum of $900 received from the Negro and Indian Commission will not go far in meeting the salaries and other expenses of our school. I would respectfully request the Venerable Commission to appropriate at least two thousand dollars for St. Mark's School. The people are devoted to their Church and schools, and their generous support, through no fault of theirs, is not sufficient to meet the financial obligations of our growing parish. Since last report we received over one hundred converts into the Church, and at present two large classes are under instructions. Through various societies we are trying to keep our young people attached to their Church. With more means at our disposal we would be able to make greater progress, for among this vast non-Catholic population not only do we meet with no obstacles of bigotry in the paths of Catholicity, but many attend the Church services. Frequently we are called to visit their sick, baptize their infants and to enroll their children in our school.

"In this latter request we are obliged to refuse owing to the already over-crowded condition of our school."

Rev. Thomas M. O'Keefe, pastor of St. Benedict's Church, writes:

"We hope to get as much this year from the Commission as last year. In fact, we would be pleased with a little increase, because we expect to open St. Benedict's Nursery in September. The property for this much needed charity was donated by Father Minogue, pastor of St. Aloysius Church, and is located on West 132nd Street, near Fifth Avenue. The buildings were renovated magnificently by the Catholic Charities of New York, and now the support of the work must be taken over by St. Benedict's Mission."

Very Rev. Chrysostom Schreiner, O.S.B., of the Bahama Islands, writes:

"It is intended to organize several more stations at Andros Island, and an exclusively colored school at Harbour Island, as soon as funds are available for rental or purchase of grounds and buildings, and to pay for the services of teachers or catechists. Four of the Andros schools are now conducted in rented huts too small for either school or chapel purposes. In all these settlements grounds could be purchased, and a suitable building for school and chapel purposes, including crude furnishings, for about $1,000.

"Another important item in permanent expenditure of the Mission is the increasing number of teachers or catechists, as well as increasing salary for those whom experience has taught us as most desirable to retain in the work.

"A substantial increase of the allotment of the Ven. Board for the Bahamas Missions is respectfully and earnestly urged.

"The work at San Salvador—the Landfall of Columbus—is being temporarily aided by the Knights of Columbus of New York. The Island has an exclusively colored population of 686. The Mission was formally opened February 2, 1921. There is a resident priest. and there are now three lay catechists employed. Catholic population, 64."

NORTH CAROLINA.

Amount appropriated		$2,500.00
Amount appropriated, special		1,500.00
Disbursements:		
Rev. Father Irwin, Personal	$50.00	
Rev. Father Irwin, for teacher	200.00	
Rev. John J. Brodie, Newbern	350.00	
Rev. John J. Brodie, School	200.00	
St. Benedict's School, Abbey	250.00	
St. Joseph's School, Abbey	250.00	
Rev. C. A. Winckler, Wilmington	1,200.00	
Rev. Father Irwin, for hall, etc	1,500.00	
	$4,000.00	
Total disbursements		$4,000.00

Rt. Rev. Bishop Haid writes:

"On the whole we may be satisfied with the progress made among our colored people though, of course, we could desire much more. Father Brodie, S.S.J., Newbern, has a hard road to travel. Added to his other crosses a destructive fire made some six or seven families, partly Catholic, homeless. Thanks to God, the Church, school and priest's house escaped uninjured. He is very anxious to buy an adjoining house for sisters, when really great work might be done. Both St. Benedict's and St. Joseph's Schools, near the Abbey, are doing well, with some seventy-five children, nearly all Catholics.

"Father Winckler, S.S.J., Wilmington, is making remarkable

progress. Besides a large grammar school he is assisting the Franciscan Sisters in the high school. Many parents and children become Catholics. Father Irwin will now infuse new life into the colored people."

OMAHA.

Amount appropriated		$1,000.00
Disbursements:		
St. Benedict's Church	$1,000.00	
Total disbursements		$1,000.00

Most Rev. Archbishop Harty writes:

"The prospects are very good. We started five years ago with one colored woman. On Easter Sunday, 1923, sixty-two persons attended High Mass and twenty-seven received Holy Communion. In January, 1922, we had twenty-eight Confirmations. We have the promise of two Sisters of Mercy to open our school in September and we hope to begin with about forty or fifty pupils. In April, 1923, we purchased new property containing a Methodist Church building. This building we expect to use as a Church, a school and for social purposes. We bought this property with scarcely any funds except our former location, which we hope to sell for about four thousand dollars. All we need is financial aid to help us build up a flourishing colored congregation in Omaha. The colored people are giving us a glad welcome."

PHILADELPHIA.

Amount appropriated		$2,250.00
Amount appropriated, special		500.00
Disbursements:		
St. Peter Claver's	$756.00	
Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament	450.00	
Sisters of Notre Dame	522.00	
St. Catherine's Asylum	522.00	
Rev. Father McGuire, C.S.Sp., towards auto truck for bringing children to school	500.00	
Total disbursements		$2,750.00

The following observations are taken from the report:

"In presenting my report of the colored work, I must first of all thank the Ven. Commission for their generous allotment to the Archdiocese. It has helped those in charge of that particular field to carry on their uphill work."

Fr. McGuire, C.S.Sp., writes:

"We wish to thank very sincerely the Ven. Commission for our allotment, especially the generous installment towards the purchase of a truck. Since last report we had 91 baptisms, 43 of whom

were converts. We had 99 for First Communion. The societies did well during the year; altogether the situation seems encouraging."

Fr. Farrell, C.S.Sp., writes:

"I am grateful for the allotment of $450. All members have been faithful to their duties, especially the members of the Sodality of the B. V. M. and the Holy Name Society. The Knights of St. John are doing well. We had 44 Baptisms, 14 of whom were adults. The members are proud of their Church and often bring their non-Catholic friends to the services."

From the House of the Good Shepherd we have this report:

"Number in class at the beginning of the year, 82; received during the year, 73; left during the year, 61; Baptized and received First Holy Communion, 7; Confirmed, 30.

"The work for the colored people in our diocese, has under God's help, been advancing. Viewing them in the same spirit as did the Samaritan with his neighbor who had fallen by the wayside, we are doing our best to give them aid; and have taken new steps to spread amongst them the light that Our Saviour came to bring them. It is strange indeed, but yet it is a sad reality, that it seems almost impossible for the rays of that light to reach their souls. But when we consider their lowly condition, their lack of a Christian education (often of any education), and the inhuman housing conditions under which they must needs struggle for an existence, we can not only see the reason for present conditions, but can also heartily sympathise with them in their dark and pitiful state.

"Their condition is lowly. At every turn they are made to understand that they belong to an inferior race. This is a very serious handicap against progress of any kind.

"The question of education needs no comment; any person interested in the colored race must be conversant with the situation. God grant that a new day is dawning for these benighted people. We are working hard in our colored schools to have the coming generation in a superior condition.

"The housing condition is in many cases terrible. We have instances where whole families live in one room! Couple with this the fact that the percentage of Catholics is very small compared with the whole population, and we can easily understand the dangers that constantly confront their morals."

RICHMOND.

Amount appropriated		**$6,000.00**
Disbursements:		
St. Joseph's Parish, Richmond	**$2,000.00**	
St. Joseph's Parish, Norfolk	**3,000.00**	
St. Joseph's Parish, Alexandria	**1,000.00**	
Total disbursements		**$6,000.00**

Right Reverend Bishop O'Connell submits the following observations:

"On the whole, the work among the colored people in the diocese of Richmond has been progressing very well in the past year.

"I am pleased to say that the Rev. Fathers in charge of this work are all fully convinced that only through the school can they hope to achieve lasting success and win the colored people over to the true faith.

"The fear of not having sufficient funds, especially for their school, is generally the reason why the priests are handicapped in their efforts, and at times much discouraged. This is clearly seen from the reports made to me by the Rev. Pastors whom I beg leave to quote in part:

"RICHMOND — Rev. Jos. B. Glenn writes: 'Richmond is the metropolitan center not only of Virginia, but of the Carolinas as well. . . . It is only proper, therefore, that Richmond should have the best equipped school in this section of the country. Our school catalogue will show that every possible effort is being made to raise the Cross high. However, unless we receive greater support during the coming year it will be necessary to close a portion of our work. . . . I shall have to raise at least $8,000.00 for school purposes alone for the year 1923-1924.'

"ALEXANDRIA—Rev. Jos. J. Kelly writes: 'To carry on the work successfully we need a thousand dollars for the coming year.'

"NORFOLK—Rev. Vincent D. Warren writes: 'Our work here is essentially creative, that is, with scarcely any Catholics we endeavor to create a congregation through our school.'

"'At the beginning of 1916 there were in this congregation 160 adults and 55 children; since then, each year, with the limited means at our disposal, by securing more sisters and lay-teachers. we have raised the standard of our school from a fifth grade school to one with the high school department. The results: Today, in real figures, 775 children are enrolled from the kindergarten to the third year high school, the parish population has increased from 215 to 625, with the consoling figures of about 350 that I can call my own converts. . . .

"'I state these facts with no desire of personal praise. . . . but to show the apparent discrepancy between a congregation of 625 souls and a school of 775 children. . . .

"'If I had the means I could have this year over 1,000 children enrolled in our school . . . more could be done if I had not to spend so much time in promoting fairs, entertainments, etc., to carry on the work.

"'It takes yearly $6,250.00 for school salaries, a comparatively little amount when you realize what good can be accomplished. If I had sufficient financial help each year to lift some of this

burden, I could in a very short time have a working, well-instructed congregation of over a thousand colored people.

"'In 1921 we began our high school department with children who started in our grammar school; now we have 36 children in this department, of whom 28 are converts, four are born Catholics, and two are under instruction.'

"The above presents some of the work done with the limited means at the disposal of the priests; it will show, I trust, their earnestness as well as their real successes, and suggest the financial aid they deserve to carry out their plans and realize their hopes."

"Our situation here, I think, is unique. We have a parish population of 625 souls, and a school enrolment of 775 children; of these, 600 are non-Catholic.

"Our particular phase of missionary activity is essentially creative; for with but a few Catholics it is our work to build up a Catholic congregation. To illustrate: at the beginning of 1916, there were in this congregation 160 adults and 55 children, a total of 215. Today we have a congregation of 625 souls with the consoling and true figures of over 300 converts in that comparatively short time. When you realize that not one of these is baptized until after months of careful instruction, you have an idea of some of the work to be done. Besides this, since 1916 with the very limited financial means at our disposal, by the addition of three sisters and nine lay-teachers giving us a teaching corps of sixteen; by raising our school from a school of five grades to one of a complete eighth-grade course with kindergarten and high school departments; we have been able to see our work grow in the most extraordinary manner before our eyes. This year, for instance, I have thus far baptized 70 converts, 30 of these adults, and a class of 15 still under instruction. Of these 70, 40 were children from the seventh and eighth grades and high school departments of our school.

"We are sometimes asked: 'With such a large percentage of non-Catholics in your school, do many become Catholics?' Yes. But, except in the danger of death, we select our Baptism classes from the higher grades. You would be surprised the type of Catholics these converts maks. Sometimes I wonder at their faith and love of Church, especially when one considers that their home associations are not Catholic. There is but one explanation of their genuine faith and their love of the Church—the gift of God's grace. When you realize the amount of instruction necessary to make them good Catholics, the careful and watchful preparation required; and when you realize that to become a Catholic is not simply a matter of signing ones' name to a Church register, you can readily understand that if, under favorable circumstances, a congregation of colored people can grow—not by a natural growth, but through

creative work—from 215 to 625 souls in less than eight years, fostered by the care of but one priest, then we may safely say that one fact is demonstrated, viz., if this missionary work is rightly approached, the Catholic Church in this country has its biggest missionary opportunity amongst the colored people.

"Our school is overcrowded, our buildings are far from modern, and yet in spite of the fact that in the City of Norfolk we have splendid public school accommodations for colored children (the city this year erecting a high school for them at a cost of $700,000), in September when we opened our school I could have enrolled a thousand children had I the room; parents (non-Catholics) actually weeping in my office because I could not possibly accept their children. Needless to say for one who seeks souls to save, it has been one of my hardest trials to see these souls lost to the Church because we had no way to help them.

"Because of lack of priests this Mission must do with one priest. But oh, how much one priest could do in converting these souls to the Church, if his time were not so occupied in securing a dollar here and there to keep up the work! In a few years I could have a congregation of over a thousand souls. But thank God, I have youth and good health in my favor, and I crave but one blessing from God—a long life to work and slave in this portion of Christ's vineyard. I give the above facts, with no self consideration, for all this is God's work.

"It takes about $6,250.00 to run the school for one school year. If I could place such an amount aside once, as I explained, to be used for salaries as they fall due, I could devote all my time to the further development of this work and to placing the institution on a firmer financial basis. I am appealing not that my personal lot may become easier, but for the sake of immortal souls—souls I know I could have for Christ if I were not so weighted down by financial worries. I do hope the Venerable Commission will see its way clear to take cognizance of the wonderful possibilities of this Mission."

ST. AUGUSTINE.

Amount appropriated		$5,000.00
Amount appropriated, special		2,000.00
Disbursements:		
St. Augustine School	$700.00	
Fernandina School	500.00	
Jacksonville School	700.00	
Key West School	500.00	
Tampa School	500.00	
Ybor City School	500.00	
Colored Church, Jacksonville	1,400.00	
Colored Church, St. Augustine	200.00	
New Church, Fernandina	$2,000.00	
Total disbursements		$7,000.00

We quote the following from the report:

"The work among the colored people is progressing satisfactorily and many converts are being made, especially where there are special schools and special churches.

"There is a project on hand to erect a special Church for the colored Catholics of Fernandina and a suitable lot has been purchased and paid for towards which the appropriation of two thousand dollars last year helped very materially. The congregation is very small and must depend greatly on outside assistance. There is a very successful colored school there for many years, showing an increase of pupils every year. This year they number eighty with prospects of more."

ST. LOUIS.

Amount appropriated		$1,700.00
Disbursements:		
St. Elizabeth's	$600.00	
St. Francis' Orphanage	600.00	
St. Rita's Academy	250.00	
Anglum, Church	200.00	
St. Mary's School	50.00	
Total disbursements		$1,700.00

The following observations are taken from the report:

"St. Elizabeth's Church for the Colored is in charge of the Jesuit Fathers; two of whom devote their time exclusively to parochial work among the Negroes. Twelve hundred constitutes the total attendance at the three Masses in this church on Sunday. Those in touch with the situation recognize the need of a larger building—or perhaps two churches in different sections of the city would be better for the proper accommodation of these people.

"The parish school is in charge of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament—three sisters and one lay teacher; the latter a high school graduate. About 195 children are under instruction.

"We also have in St. Louis Saint Rita's Convent at 4650 South Broadway in charge of the Oblate Sisters of Providence. They have bought this new home in the southern part of the city, just on the river bank, and look for the better class of colored girls. During the past year they had care of forty-three, with a summer school during the vacation months of twenty-five. There are eight sisters in the community. Seven girls were baptized during the year. Rev. Father Daniels, O.F.M., is the chaplain.

"Outside the city we count first of all St. Francis' Colored Catholic Orphan Asylum at Normandy, Mo., also in charge of the Oblate Sisters of Providence. Herewith we give their report for the past year: Number of children, 88; Baptisms, 9; Sisters in community, 12. One of the Fathers from the nearby Passionist Monastery at-

tends to the spiritual needs of both sisters and children.

"In the vicinity of the Jesuit Novitiate at Florissant, Mo., we have St. Peter Claver's Church in the village of Anglum, Mo. The Jesuit Father in charge, Rev. A. J. Garvy, makes the following report:

"The pastor is assisted by a corps of Jesuit scholastics who act as catechists, etc. The church operates within the boundaries of St. Mary's Parish at Bridgeton, Mo., for the benefit of the Negro Catholics. Mass is said on Sundays, First Fridays and the more important feast days. Catechetical instruction is given on Sunday afternoons; and during the winter and spring months a lecture on Catholic doctrines was given every Thursday night for non-Catholics. There are about 45 Negro Catholics in the district, in addition to about 30 whites, who attend Mass in St. Peter's Church. In all there are some 180 Negroes in Anglum. During the past twelve months Mass has been celebrated 82 times with a total attendance of 2,360. Holy Communion was distributed to 1,408 people. There were seven First Communions; six Baptisms; two funerals; four adult converts and two involved marriages were adjusted. A short Mission was given during the first half of Holy Week. Two lots adjacent to the Church were bought with a view to needed improvements."

Rev. E. L. O'Toole acting pastor of St. Mary's, Mo., submits the following report:

"In this district there are about 70 Catholic Negroes—the members of seven Catholic and eight mixed families. They attend services with the white people; custom segregating them to the rear pews of the church. In the last year there were three Baptisms and one mixed marriage. A school was built for the colored children about two years ago. Forty-three attended in 1922. The maintenance of this project is a problem—the colored people being unable, the white people (for the most part) unwilling to support it.

"In Ste. Genevieve, Mo., there are 70 Catholic Negroes. They have free seating in the parish church; a part of the church being partitioned off for them with pews reserved. One colored child was baptized during the past year. There are 14 Negro families in the town—nearly all Catholic. They are descendents of the former slaves. A few have come over from Coffman, Mo. Quite a number of the colored people of Ste Genevieve during the past ten years have moved up to St. Louis, and have affiliated themselves with St. Elizabeth's Church. Until recently there was a Catholic school in the town, conducted by the Sisters of St. Joseph. It has been discontinued and the children are being instructed privately. When ready for First Communion they attend the First Communion classes with the white children. They receive Holy Communion with the whites, but as stated above, have special pews

assigned to them. Some of these colored people are very good and support the Church to the best of their ability. They themselves are self-supporting. There is a colored public school in Ste. Genevieve with an enrollment of 18."

SAN ANTONIO.

Amount appropriated		$3,000.00
Amount appropriated, special		1,000.00
Disbursements:		
Holy Redeemer Parish	$800.00	
Holy Redeemer, Special	1,000.00	
St. Peter Claver's Parish	700.00	
St. Catherine's School	300.00	
Novitiate Holy Ghost Sisters	1,200.00	
Total disbursements		$4,000.00

Rt. Rev. Bishop Drossaerts writes:

"I strongly recommend an allowance of $1,000.00 for the Novitiate of the Holy Ghost Sisters. The first chapter of their "Constitutions" contains these words: 'The Sisters shall not exclude from their charity any class or race of people, *but they shall foster a special predilection for the poor and dark races.*' And these are not idle words. The sisters are spending themselves with wonderful zeal for the colored people in various dioceses; in the diocese of Mobile, Little Rock, Dallas, Lafayette, San Antonio and Corpus Christi. In applying for help to this worthy institute I am aware that this is not so much a diocesan work as a truly *inter diocesan* one. Since these sisters are devoting themselves almost exclusivelv to the uplift of the Negroes they are well entitled to a special consideration of your honorable Commission.

"A far greater and vexing problem than the evangelization of the Negroes is created in this diocese of San Antonio by the exceedingly great numbers of poor Mexicans (Indians). The Mexican being nomadic in his habits, moving from one ranch to another every few months, it is hard to give an estimate of their numbers. The City of San Antonio has within its limits from fifty to sixty thousand Mexicans. And I am sure that the diocese counts over 200,000 of them. They are practically all children of the Faith. They have many fine qualities. The priests and sisters who labor amongst them all praise their simple, childlike faith and their deep attachment to our Holy Religion. But their poverty and ignorance together with their large numbers and the desperate efforts of the Protestant sects to wean them away from the Catholic Faith constitute a vast difficult problem; one indeed which cannot be solved locally. It is in all truth *a National problem.* The Catholic Church Extension Society has been in the past and continues to be a kind and wonderful providence for this diocese. But am I mistaken

if I hope that your honorable Commission will be only too willing to help us in carrying on the immense task imposed upon us in providing schools and chapels for these poor, despised, humble children of the Church?

"In all confidence I am going to ask an allowance of $2,000.00 for our Mexican Community House in the City of San Antonio. It is the only Catholic center that we have here to offset the efforts of five Protestant centers admirably equipped and working day and night to snatch away our people. I am asking $300.00 for the school of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in this city; $200.00 for the Mexican school in Uvalde; $100.00 for the school in Sabinal; $200.00 for the school in Seguin; $250.00 for the Guadelupe School in San Antonio. This school alone has an enrollment of 650 little barefooted Mexicans and if we had the space and the means we could easily bring this number to 2,000. Lastly $250.00 for the School of San Felipe de Jesus, San Antonio."

SAVANNAH.

Amount appropriated		$6,000.00
Amount appropriated, special, St. Anthony's Mission House, Colored Seminary		7,000.00
Amount appropriated, special, Colored Sisters		1,000.00
Disbursements:		
Our Lady of Lourdes, Atlanta	$1,200.00	
St. Peter Claver's, Augusta	800.00	
Immaculate Conception, Augusta	1,250.00	
St. Anthony's, Savannah	900.00	
St. Mary's, Savannah	600.00	
St. Benedict's	1,250.00	
Colored Sisters	1,000.00	
St. Anthony's Mission House Colored Seminary	7,000.00	
Total disbursements		$14,000.00

Very Reverend Father Lissner, Provincial of the Society of African Missions of Lyons, writes:

"A short time ago I made a thorough survey of the Georgia Mission field. In every section of the vast territory I have investigated details of missionary activities, endeavoring to improve present methods and to promote new schemes of convert making. The scarcity of trained missionaries is felt everywhere. Not only pious priests, but experts, trained for this unexplored mission field, are greatly needed. Priests educated in this country will prove more useful from the start and they will have more influence because they feel at home. This, and many other circumstances and considerations, show the propriety of having in our country a Seminary in which the clergy (a native clergy) white and colored, will grow up acquainted with our peculiar habits. We have started such an institution, on a small scale, in Highwood, N. J. It has

borne its first fruit. Two clerical students are finishing their fourth year of theology next term. We have five theologians and one philosopher. What we need at present is a larger building to accommodate a larger number of clerical students and provide for them halls, chapel, etc. It is a great disappointment and regret that we have not the means to build.

"I have founded a community of Colored Sisters and they are doing good work. They have given us great help in our new Seminary. Owing to their free service of the domestic work for the institution the expenses have been greatly reduced.

"The last two years our work in Georgia was severely handicapped. Economic disturbances and financial crises brought about by general business failures, the exodus of over one hundred thousand Negroes from Georgia. Most every branch of industry and labor has been paralized. Our Missions have been crippled by loss of membership. About seven hundred Catholics have migrated to the North. Most of those who left represent the strong wage earners, leaving behind the children and old folks. The schools have only slightly suffered in numbers. This condition will no doubt very soon have far-reaching consequences. It will bring about more equal racial distribution and secure better treatment for the colored race. Meanwhile we must go through another year of financial depression. We hope that you will help us to tide over the mission until next year."

WILMINGTON.

Amount appropriated		$1,000.00
Disbursements:		
Rev. Justin McCarthy, S.S.J., for School	$600.00	
Rev. Justin McCarthy, S.S.J., for Missionary	400.00	
	$1,000.00	
Total disbursements		$1,000.00

Rt. Rev. Bishop Monaghan writes:

"It is gratifying to see the earnestness and zeal of the Josephite Fathers in their work for our colored people. Their efforts are ably seconded by the devoted Sisters of St. Francis in the day school and the orphan home in Wilmington and also in the domestic of St. Joseph's Industrial School, Clayton, Del. The results of the work are also gratifying and cannot fail to impress the entire colored population of our diocese."

MISSION WORK AMONG THE INDIANS

ALASKA.

Amount appropriated		$3,000.00
Amount appropriated, special		2,000.00
Disbursements:		
Hot Springs	$1,100.00	
Holy Cross	700.00	
Akularak	1,200.00	
Scow-Chapel, with living room for Missionary	2,000.00	
	$5,000.00	
Total disbursements		$5,000.00

Rt. Rev. Bishop Crimont writes:

"With the funds on hand and prospective the best we can hope for is mere subsistence and maintenance of the status quo. As years go by we should extend our work and better the conditions in the Missions which we now occupy. A large new building was needed as an addition to Holy Cross. It is being put up, thanks to the help which our saw mill gives us at that place. At Akularak the boys' building ought to be removed. The old structure has been propped on both sides to make it stand the wind storms a little longer. The Hot Springs Mission needs larger buildings. We are adding bit by bit to the construction as well as we can with the difficulty of bringing lumber and other materials. One of the two barges, loaded with supplies for Akularak, was sunk in the Yukon by an accident. It is hardly possible to make the loss good before winter. This unforeseen additional expense will place us in serious straits. Several of our Missionaries are disabled by sickness and others by advanced age. One young priest died a year ago; another was called away to the States. In the meantime the Protestants have milloins of dollars back of them, as one of them boasted to us. They are taking positions, etc., which render our actual work more difficult and our future development more hopeless.

"As to the special donation of $2,000.00, for counteracting Protestant invasion of our Catholic districts, the Superior of our Fathers in northern Alaska thought that the most practical and fruitful use it could be put to was in the construction of a large scow to serve as Chapel, with room for the priest. It can be towed from bay to bay where the principal villages are located on the coast of the Behring Sea, and do service where the most urgent needs demand.

BAKER CITY.

Amount appropriated $1,500.00

Disbursements:

No itemized statement of disbursements given. Umatillo Reservation School, Klamath Falls Church and Bend Church are mentioned in the report as the beneficiaries of the appropriation.

Rev. Father Sheehan, O.M.Cap., of Bend, Oregon, writes as follows, with the indorsement of Rt. Rev. Bishop McGrath:

"The Indian Reservation has always been a problem. We attended monthly for almost eight years and apparently the results did not justify the efforts. Fr. Ketchum came along and promised as the best way of settling things to send out a catechist. There was much correspondence before and after Fr. Ketchum's death; but the catechist has not arrived. I do not like to see the work dropped and don't think it ought to be. But in my humble opinion if any results are to be obtained we must have a catechist."

BISMARCK.

Amount appropriated $1,000.00

Disbursements:

No itemized statement of disbursements given.

Right Reverend Bishop Wehrle writes:

"Applying for financial help in the Mission work in my diocese among the Indians, I wish to give a short account of conditions.

"There are two Indian Reservations in my diocese. *The Standing Rock Reservation* with Indian churches at Fort Yates with some 75 families, and 8 adults baptized within the last year. Porcupine, with 38 families, 2 adults baptized, etc. Cannon Ball, 28 families, 5 adults baptized, etc. Red Cedar, 7 families.

These belong to the Sioux Tribe, have been under Catholic influence since 1875, have had a good government school, for many years entirely under Catholic supervision and with Sisters as teachers; and even now 13 Sisters are working at that school, though they have to do so with several non-Catholics, some of these Sisters receiving a salary from the government, others rendering their service without any compensation.

"On this Reservation Catholic life is about as good as it can be expected, though under the present conditions where the Indians live on their farms, in the churches of Cannon Ball, Porcupine and Red Cedar, Mass cannot be held every Sunday, but Fort Yates has divine service every Sunday and week day.

"In the Government school at Fort Yates are at least some 140 Catholic children.

"*The Elbowoods Reservation,* consisting of Indians of the Mandan, Gros Ventres and Cree tribes, has only between 800 and 900

Indians. Extremely little had been done for these before the year 1910, though Mother Catherine Drexel had built a school at Elbowoods about thirty years ago. This school had been open to Indian children for some years, then was for many years only the residence of a priest and served for chapel. Circumstances did not make it possible to have a permanent boarding school. Finally in 1910 two Benedictine Fathers took charge of this Reservation, and Benedictine Sisters took charge of the boarding school and have continued in their self-sacrificing work. On this Reservation we have churches for Indians at Elbowoods, Armstrong, Independence, Shell Creek, and Sacred Heart "on the Creek." All these churches, except Armstrong, built since 1910. There is another church within the Reservation, at Raub, serving partly the Indians and partly the white.

"Adults have been baptized within the last year, 12 in all these places together. The great difficulty in this Reservation is that in early days when the Indians came to the Agency for rations, there had not been any systematic religious training for them; they have not the religious foundation which is found among the majority of the Standing Rock Reservation.

"Now they are scattered over the large reservation, have in the missions, Elbowoods excepted, Mass only one or two Sundays the month, which is enough among good Catholics to keep the faith alive, but is not enough to educate a people to a solid Catholic life. The climatic conditions, with our severe Dakota winters, make it more difficult to get the people together on Sundays. The school problem is also a difficult one. Up till now we had at the boarding school at Elbowoods usually more than 50 boarders. Within the last few years day schools have been erected in several places on the Reservation.

"Near the church at Shell Creek a Catholic lady has so far been teaching the public school there, some 40 Indian children attending, the priest going there once or twice the week to teach catechism.

"In the little settlement at Sacred Heart "along the Creek" the Catholics insisted on getting a day school. In order to secure a parish school, an addition was built to their church during the last summer, which cost about $1,400.00; two Sisters are teaching there 22 children. I allowed to keep the Blessed Sacrament in the church, so that these Sisters who have Mass not more than two or three times the week, have at least the consolation of the Eucharistic presence.

"This has reduced the number of the pupils at Elbowoods Boarding School to about 30. The Government pays for day scholars (Indians) $3.00 the month, for boarding scholars $10.00. That running such schools is a big drain on the burse, especially when the place is forty miles away from the next railroad station, is self-evident.

"A big part of last year's allowance has been used in building

the above named day school; but we are still more than $150.00 in the hole, and for this reason I beg the Commission to allow for the coming year $1,500.00 if possible:

"At the Boarding School at Elbowoods are at present three Sisters working. The personnel working on the Standing Rock Reservation are: four Fathers O.S.B., and one secular priest, who visits one Mission; also 13 Sisters, O.S.B. At the Elbowoods Reservation two Fathers O.S.B., one of them attending also two white Missions, and five Sisters, O.S.B.

"Besides these Missions we have charge of the Catholic children at the Indian Government School at Bismarck where about 70 Catholic children attend. One priest and two school Sisters O.S.B. of the parish school here visit these children regularly once the week, giving them at least an hour of religious instruction.

"Finally around Trenton, N. D., there are about 24 half breed families, Chipaway, who are regularly attended by the priest of Williston.

"At the present there is much real poverty among the Indians, caused by crop failures and other abnormal conditions, under which the whole farming population of this State suffers much.

"In the schools we see much religious fervor, especially a great love for Holy Communion; my experience is this, that Indians once fairly instructed will remain faithful to the Catholic Church, unless they live in unhappy marriages and finally get a divorce; then they are lost to the Church, the same way as other Catholics who do the same. One consolation we have, they have much more than white people a presentiment of their coming death, and then call for the priest.

"Rev. Bernhard Strassmeyer, O.B.S., a truly great Indian Missionary who for 37 years has worked most successfully among the Indians of the Standing Rock Reservation, has been compelled to spend the last three or four months in the hospital and will need several months more to get his health restored.

BOISE.

Amount appropriated		$1,500.00
Amount appropriated, special		1,000.00
Disbursements:		
Repairs to DeSmet Boys' School	$1,000.00	
Sisters of St. Joseph for Slickpoo School	1,500.00	
Total disbursements		$2,500.00

Rt. Rev. Bishop Gorman writes:

"I sincerely trust that the Board will give the appeal for assistance favorable consideration as the need is extremely urgent. I can assure you that the temporary shacks—which were to shelter the children for one winter and which have been there now for

seven years—are not fitting sheltering for the Sisters and children. I have endeavored to give them what assistance possible from the diocesan treasury in order to make the structures in some way habitable for the winter and to protect them from the inclemency of the weather."

CAP-HAITIEN (HAITI).

Amount appropriated		$2,500.00
Disbursements:		
Cap-Haitien College	$2,500.00	
Total disbursements		$2,500.00

CORPUS CHRISTI.

Amount appropriated		$5,000.00
Amount appropriated, special		4,000.00
Disbursements:		
Hebronville, Mexican Mission	$1,000.00	
Rio Grande, Mexican School and Sisters' House	2,000.00	
Robstown, Mexican Mission	400.00	
San Benito, Mexican Center	500.00	
San Diego, Mexican Center	200.00	
Eva, Mexican Mission	300.00	
Guajillo, Mexican Mission	1,750.00	
Corpus Christi, Colored Church and School	1,500.00	
Beeville, Mexican Center, to be established	1,350.00	
Total disbursements		$9,000.00

Rt. Rev. Bishop Ledvina writes:

"Right in my See city a fine Protestant church was erected for Mexicans; and 18 miles from here the Presbyterians, who have not been active before in this region, will erect a big institution for Mexican girls; the first unit of which is to cost nearly $100,000. Every Mexican girl that will attend that institution will be a Catholic child; but the Protestants have learned our weakness down here, and they are redoubling their forces, to overwhelm us. Here I am with a handful of priests and Sisters, supposed to care for the souls of 100,000 Mexican Catholics, without means and in the face of lavish expenditures of funds by people who are bent upon killing in the poor, uneducated, or at least poorly instructed Catholic Mexicans and their children the Faith, and drawing them over to Protestantism.

"I feel that I ought to get some very substantial lift; so that I could do something effectively and lastingly. The little sums I have been getting, here and there, just prolongs the agony, and the enemy considers my efforts a joke. Would it be possible to get your Board to vote me, outside of the regular $5,000 allotment, which I will have to have, in any event, a goodly sum—say at least $10,000; and thus help me do something, at least in one place, that will be worth while, in our humble way?"

CROOKSTON.

Amount appropriated		$2,000.00
Amount appropriated, special		500.00
Disbursements:		
Indian Missionaries	$2,000.00	
Red Lake, School	500.00	
Total disbursements		$2,500.00

Rev. Florien Loenikar, O.S.B., writes:

"In the name of the kind Sisters, the school, and the mission of Red Lake, I sincerely thank you for the check of $500.00 which our Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Timothy Corbett sent to us from the amount voted us by the Distributing Board at their last meeting. May God reward you for your kindness. We will remember you, as we do all our benefactors, in our daily prayers and at the Holy Sacrifice.

"With the help of this sum we will put a new steel roof on our church, paint it, and put in a pipeless furnace. These improvements should have been made long ago, but owing to lack of funds it could not be done sooner. It is true we have a Government contract, but that is hardly enough to feed and clothe our Indian children."

DULUTH.

Amount appropriated	$1,500.00
Disbursements:	

No itemized statement of disbursements submitted. Nett Lake, Onigum, Cloquet, Grand Portage, Grand Marais, Ball Club are mentioned as the beneficiaries of the appropriation.

We quote the following letter from Rt. Rev. Bishop McNicholas:

"I come again to beg for our poor Indians. This year, as you know, has been a particularly hard one for them. We have been fearful that they may suffer seriously during the coming winter. In two of our reservations where the Indians have been accustomed to make some little offerings to the priests, we can hope for practically nothing this year.

"When a few months ago I attended the Indian Congress held for three days at Onigum, in this diocese, I was extremely edified. The sacrifices that the Indians made to be present—some of them coming great distances—their assistance at Mass and their reception of the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation, were touching evidences of their devotion to their religion. The singing of their Indian hymns, composed by Bishop Baraga, was to me one of the striking features of the Congress.

"I visited an Indian Reservation recently. This particular mission has been much neglected, owing to the fact that we

could not secure a priest to serve it. Never have I seen such absolute destitution as when I visited some of the Indians in their miserable huts. I have often heard the missionaries speak of the special graces that seem to be given to the Indians at the time of death. I myself witnessed this in the case of a young Indian who was dying of tuberculosis. His cheerfulness and resignation were such as would be expected only from one of heroic sanctity.

"I wish very much to keep the Sisters on the Indian Missions where they have been working, and if possible to introduce them in other reservations.

"I hope His Eminence and the Most Reverend Archbishops may have sufficient funds to allow us $1,500, the amount granted us for the past two years. This will merely permit us to continue the work we have been doing. If funds be available, we would like to undertake further work. At Nett Lake we have made over a little hut for the priest, incurring thereby a debt of nearly $300. At Sawyer much work must be done. I am trying to get funds from several sources to save this mission church, the second oldest in the diocese. If we sent the Sisters to two more Indian Missions, it will mean a further drain on our resources. I trust the funds of the Commission may allow us an additional sum of $600 or $800 for the extension of the work."

EL PASO.

Amount appropriated		$1,000.00
Disbursements:		
Special for Church, Apache Mission	$1,000.00	
Total disbursements		$1,000.00

Rt. Rev. Bishop Schuler writes:

"Father Albert Brann has done a splendid and growing work among the Apaches, with little material assistance. He has built a new and larger church and is in great extreme need of larger material financial assistance immediately if the work is to go on and not go by default."

GREAT FALLS.

Amount appropriated		$1,000.00
Amount appropriated, special		1,000.00
Disbursements:		
Indian Missions	$1,000.00	
St. Labre's Mission	1,000.00	
	$2,000.00	
Total disbursements		$2,000.00

Rt. Rev. Bishop Lenihan writes:

"The Fathers of St. Edmund of St. Labre's Mission report that the old building for Indian boys needs many repairs and I have ordered all necessary repairs and additions, not to exceed $5,000.00, to be done immediately. The parents of those Indian children say that they will not send them to St. Labre's School unless these repairs are made at once.

"The Mennonites have purchased ranches adjoining St. Labre's Mission properties and will pay any price for our buildings. But of course, we will never sell to them.

"I had the great pleasure of blessing a new Indian Church at Wyola for Crow Indians and confirming eighty-five of them. This year I will bless two, and perhaps three new churches for Indians on the Fort Peck Reservation. Our Catholic Indian Missionaries are heart and soul in their good work."

GUAM, ISLAND OF GUAM.

Amount appropriated	$2,000.00

Disbursements:

No itemized statement of disbursements submitted. The schools of Agana, Asan, Piti, Dededo and Yona are mentioned in the report as the beneficiaries of the appropriation.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop writes:

"Six Sisters of Mary, English speaking, will come on next autumn. I shall keep carefully the residue of the appropriation in order to get a fund to build up a modest parochial school and Sisters' house. This year I have been compelled to spend $500.00 in making necessary repairs on the church and on my house on account of the big typhoon which visited us last March."

HELENA.

Amount appropriated	$1,800.00
Amount appropriated, special	12,500.00

Disbursements:

No itemized statement of the disbursements of the regular appropriation submitted. Augusta, Cut Bank, Browning, Plains, Polson, Yingling are mentioned as the beneficiaries of the allocation of	$1,800.00	
Ursuline Convent at St. Ignatius	12,500.00	
	$14,300.00	
Total disbursements		$14,300.00

We quote the following letters from Right Reverend Bishop Carroll:

"I come to you again this year in behalf of six of our struggling parishes which have inherited a considerable Indian population owing to the settlement of our reservations and the mixing up of the Indians with the white settlers. The Indians, when attended from our Catholic Indian Missions, gave nothing towards the support of the Church. In the new parishes, in which they now find themselves, they continue that practice. For many reasons, which I have given you heretofore, the white settlers are not strong enough either numerically or economically alone to support their parishes. Hence my quest from the Indian Commission. The enclosed information has been furnished the Chancery by the respective pastors. In view of their pressing need I appeal to you again this year for $1,800.00. This amount, when distributed among the six missions, is, of course, not very large, but still it is a great encouragement to our struggling diocesan priests who are in charge of these missions and who, unlike the Jesuit Fathers of St. Ignatius and the Holy Family Mission, can expect no help from any other source.

"To jog your memory regarding my personal appeal at Washington to you as chairman of the Bishops' Indian Commission for increased help for the Ursuline Sisters' School for Indian Girls at St. Ignatius Mission, Montana, permit me to outline the reasons for my importunity.

"The principal reasons are the unexpectedly increased cost of labor and material during the construction of the building; the necessity of providing more class-rooms and chapel space than was originally thought necessary; a power-house and laundry, with their necessary equipment; a septic tank and sewer system (the institution being located far from a city supplied with these things); and a concrete basement capable of storing a year's provisions (the school being located far from the railroad station).

"Instead, therefore, or costing $85,000 to $90,000, as originally estimated, the building and necessary equipment cost $140,000. The Sisters received from various sources $76,000. Their indebtedness, therefore, amounts to $64,000. I can assure Your Eminence that there is nothing extravagant about the building and that the money has not been spent unnecessarily in securing the equipment mentioned above. In fact, the Sisters have limited themselves to the absolutely necessary—much useful equipment being eliminated. The building is simple, solid and beautiful, and will, I hope, for many decades to come take care of the religious and educational needs of the Indian children in the first and greatest Indian Mission in the West — established by Father DeSmet in 1841 and since kept up and developed by his zealous brethren."

LEAD.

Amount appropriated		$3,500.00
Amount appropriated, special		1,000.00
Disbursements:		
Rev. Fathers Vorman, McGill, McGonigal, Goll, S.J., Buechel, S.J., Frech, O.S.B., Othuear, O.S.B., Fohrmann, S.C.J., Casey, O'Reilly, Keller, Vogel, Vigneron, Golden, Besendorfer	$3,500.00	
Cheyenne Reservation	1,000.00	
	$4,500.00	
Total disbursements		$4,500.00

Rt. Rev. Bishop Lawler writes:

"I shall need at least the same regular appropriation that I received last year and a special appropriation for the development of the Cheyenne Reservation. Though this Reservation has made satisfactory progress it must still rely on outside assistance. Three resident priests, pastors, are now laboring zealously in this district and are getting encouraging results. As a Catholic school is sorely needed for the Reservation it is my fervent prayer and that of my missionaries that a generous donor may come to our assistance. I should also have special help for the development of a small Indian Reservation known as the Lower Brule, which in the past received but little religious attention. A resident pastor is now hard at work there. The Episcopalians have had a resident minister there for years. That he has received some recruits among our neglected and poorly instructed Indian Catholics is sadly true."

MARQUETTE.

Amount appropriated	$1,400.00
Disbursements:	
$250.00 to each of the two priests and the balance to the Indian Orphanage at Assinins, Mich.	

Very Rev. Henry A. Buckholtz, Apostolic Administrator, writes:

"I give the Chaplain's report on conditions of the orphanage building which I have verified. The buildings were put up in the year 1886 by Fr. Terhorst, who succeeded Bishop Baraga as Chaplain to Orphanage. A number of years ago a porch, rotten from age, on the side of the boys' playground, came down suddenly with a crash. We considered ourselves fortunate that none of the boys were killed or injured. All the window frames in the building have gone to pieces, panes cannot be fitted any more, and consequently the frost and snow come through the cracks and crevices, making it impossible to heat the rooms sufficiently in cold weather. Add to this that there are no toilets in the building—so-called outhouses being used for that purpose, and anyone can realize what

hardship children have to contend with in a temperature often thirty (30) degrees below zero. Having no system of water works, all the water for washing, bathing and scrubbing purposes has to be carried all over the house. Every means of modern comfort in all public buildings is lacking. The laundry is in a hopeless and dilapidated condition, and also all the laundry work has to be done by hand. Owing to the foundations crumbling away one of the main walls is bulging out. A heavy log holds this wall in place, and keeps it from falling over. In fact the conditions are such that, unless help arrives, and a new building be put up, the Sisters will be compelled to give up their work among the Indians of Baraga Mission. Were St. Joseph's Orphanage to be discontinued what is to become of the poor Indian? Having priest and Sisters removed from their midst, I fear they will slowly but surely fall back into Paganism."

NUEVA SEGOVIA, P. I.

Amount appropriated		$5,000.00
Amount appropriated, special		2,000.00
Disbursements:		
Church and outlying Chapels and Schools at Bontoc Mission	$5,000.00	
Extension Work in New Mission	2,000.00	
Total disbursements		$7,000.00

Rev. Father Billiet, I.C.M., in charge of the Bontoc Mission, writes:

"Two years ago, when for the first time a special allocation was given to my Mission, the number of churches and chapels was sixteen; now the number reaches twenty-six. The Governor-General of the Philippines, in a letter to the Archbishop of Manila, praising our mission work, expressed his hope to see us extend to Apayas and Kalniza. In Apayas, the most remote part, we plan to have the first chapel begun before the end of this year. In Kalniza prospects are very bright. This new mission, where I started three stations with chapel, promises to grow fast.

"In Bontoc, among the many activities, I must mention the free dispensary, conducted by the Sisters, that was greatly improved this year and I plan for a kind of home for the aged adapted to the Igorots' condition. We must thank God for the good we can do. We owe it all, next to Him, to help of the Commission."

OREGON CITY.

Amount appropriated	$1,000.00
Disbursements:	

No itemized statement of disbursements submitted. St. Benedict, Grand Ronde, Siletz are mentioned as the beneficiaries of the appropriation.

We quote the following from the report:

"The work of the Benedictine Fathers at the Chemawa School is yearly increasing as the school grows larger. Far more than half of the pupils of this school are Catholic and much time is needed to give them proper instruction. The two other Missions are more than holding their own when the problem of the disappearance of the Indian is considered.

SANTA FÉ

Amount appropriated		$1,500.00
Disbursements:		
Church in Zuni Pueblo and rooms for the Fathers; for the Church roof of Laguna and for the Picurias Mission	$1,500.00	
Total disbursements		$1,500.00

Most Rev. Archbishop Daeger writes:

"After appointing a Father for the special work among the Zuni Indians we are glad to report that the work is progressing nicely. The good Father spends nearly all his time living out among these Indians, directing the work and also working with his own hands to encourage them and give them good example."

SEATTLE.

Amount appropriated		$5,000.00
Disbursements:		
St. George's Indian School	$2,740.00	
Rev. M. Murtaugh	300.00	
Rev. Hugh Lynch	300.00	
Rev. Michael Murphy	300.00	
Rev. P. O'Donnell	320.00	
Redemptorist Fathers	320.00	
Jesuit Fathers	320.00	
Rev. F. Hoen	300.00	
Rev. Albert E. Erkens, O.S.B.	100.00	
	$5,000.00	
Total disbursements		$5,000.00

Rt. Rev. Bishop O'Dea writes:

"You may readily see from the number of priests and Sisters employed among the Indians in the diocese of Seattle that if they are to receive even a small compensation, and if our old and very worthy Indian Industrial School is to be maintained, five thousand dollars, at least, will be required this year, as formerly.

"In these days of high prices a large sum of money is needed to maintain an institution, to feed and clothe eighty to one hundred

children. Through the charity of the Rev. Mother Katharine Drexel and Rev. Charles DeDecker, St. George's Industrial School has been, until now, able to continue its work of educating the Indian children. Through the generosity of these self-sacrificing and devoted benefactors the sum of $4,320 was contributed last year for the support of the school from their private funds. All I can add to this fund is what remains of the allocation after the priests laboring among the Indians are paid a small remuneration.

"I am greatly pleased to be able to report satisfactorily conditions in most of the Agencies, except in that of Tulalip, where the sects, especially the Methodists, are carrying on an active propaganda, notwithstanding the fact that nearly all the Indians on that Reservation are Catholics. Under the former superintendent, Dr. Charles Buchanan, all such efforts were discouraged and practically prohibited by him. The only remedy would be a priest residing on the Reservation. Unfortunately, however, I have no one at present to send there.

"The church at the Lumi Reservation has been moved to a more convenient and better location and has been reconstructed mainly through the funds received from the Commission."

SPOKANE.

No appropriation was made as no application was received.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Schinner writes that the Indian Missionaries of his diocese are very much in need of help this year.

SUPERIOR.

Amount appropriated		$1,500.00
Red Cliff School, School at Odenah, Rev. Philip Gordon, Rev. Joseph Seeboth	$1,500.00	
Total disbursements		$1,500.00

The following observations are taken from the report:

"Up to this time the children of the Red Cliff School were wards of the Government and the Sisters were paid a salary by the Government. June 30th ult. the Government has discontinued to make any allowance for this school.

"At Odanah the Sisters built a new Industrial School when the other burned down and they carry a debt of $20,000 not to speak of the running expenses defrayed by alms.

"Father Gordon at Reserve was forced to discontinue the building of the new church replacnig the one destroyed by fire for lack of funds."

TUCSON.

Amount appropriated	$1,000.00
Amount appropriated, special, Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary	1,000.00
Amount appropriated, special, St. John's School, Komatke, Ariz.	1,000.00

Disbursements:

No report submitted.

Right Reverend Bishop Gercke writes:

"I have just taken possession of diocese and have not time before meeting to make formal report. Our Indian Missions badly in need of help."